

# **Maine Department of Public Safety**

## **2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

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The Maine Department of Public Safety (DPS) is made up of eight bureaus:  
Maine State Police, Office of State Fire Marshal, Maine Drug Enforcement Agency,

Maine Criminal Justice Academy, Bureau of Highway Safety, Capitol Security, Emergency Medical Services and Emergency Services Communication Bureau (E911). During 2002, the Bureau of Liquor Enforcement also was a bureau within DPS. The criminal aspect of the enforcement section within that bureau was eliminated on June 6, 2003 as a result of state budget reductions. The liquor licensing, tax collection and other civil responsibilities remain within the Department, administered from the Public Safety Liquor, Gaming & Weapons Licensing and Compliance Division. The department was established by the legislature in 1971 (MRSA Title 5, Chapter 351, Section 2901) and became a separate state department in 1972.

Michael P. Cantara has served as Commissioner since March 2003 following his appointment by Governor Baldacci and confirmation by the Maine State Senate. Commissioner Cantara succeeded Michael Kelly who served as Commissioner from 1998 to 2003. Commissioner Cantara came to state government after serving as the York County District Attorney for 12 years.

The Commissioner's office on Meadow Road in Augusta consists of a public information officer and a staff of 14 in the administrative services section. That section oversees the budgetary, financial, human resources, administrative support for DPS and criminal justice grants. Administrative Services also provides support for the Maine Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management.

The budget for the Commissioner's office is \$2,979,433 for fiscal year 2002. The sources of funding are broken down as follows: \$1,517,487 federal funds, \$660,701 highway fund, \$423,615 general fund and \$377,630 special revenue.

#### ***Criminal Justice Grants***

Public Safety administers four grant programs from the US Dept. of Justice-Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Program (approx. \$3 million)

STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (\$1 million)

Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (approx \$350,000)

Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Programs (approx \$300,000)

Criminal Justice grants are distributed through the Maine Justice Assistance Council whose members are appointed by the Governor. During 2002, Byrne funds supported projects combating illegal drug trafficking; expanding community policing, promoting crime and violence prevention, improving sex offender management and implementing criminal history records improvements. The STOP Violence Against Women money was awarded to law enforcement agencies, state and local prosecutors and a variety of service providers to enable them to better handle cases of violence against women and improve services to women who are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. The Local Law Enforcement Block Grants supported training equipment acquisitions at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and assisted with equipment acquisition for State Police. Residential Substance Abuse Treatment funds supported Department of Corrections programs directed at inmates with acute substance abuse problems.

**The total budget for the Department of Public Safety during fiscal year 2002 was:**

<b>State Police</b>	<b>\$57,235,232</b>
<b>Fire Marshal</b>	<b>\$ 3,264,471</b>
<b>Liquor Enforcement</b>	<b>\$ 1,940,937</b>
<b>Maine Drug Enforcement Agency</b>	<b>\$ 3,375,365</b>

Maine Criminal Justice Academy	\$ 1,897,912
Highway Safety	\$ 4,204,661
Capitol Security	\$ 552,622
Emergency Medical Services	\$ 1,446,339
Emergency Services Comm. (E911)	\$10,196,777
Commissioner's Office	\$ 2,979,433
School employee fingerprinting	\$ 836,822 (In support of the Dept. of Education policy)
<b>TOTAL DPS BUDGET</b>	<b>\$87,930,571</b>

### **Maine State Police**

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The Maine State Police is the state's largest police agency with an authorized complement of 337 sworn personnel, ranging from trooper to colonel. In addition to the sworn positions, State Police employ 167 persons in non-sworn positions. The largest segment being emergency communications specialists who staff the department's four regional communications centers.

The Chief of the State Police is **Colonel Michael R. Sperry**, who has served in that position since November of 1999. Colonel Sperry joined the State Police in 1977 and initially patrolled in Franklin County. He served several years in the department's drug unit, and from 1989 to 1999 served in the southern Criminal Investigation Division, where he was promoted to sergeant and lieutenant, prior to his selection as colonel.

The Deputy Chief is **Lt. Colonel Jeffrey D. Harmon**, who joined the state police in 1982. Lt. Colonel Harmon's initial patrol area was Mattawamkeag. He later served in the criminal division as a detective and sergeant. Promotions to lieutenant and major brought him to headquarters and he has served as the deputy chief since late 1999.

Two majors complete the top command of the State Police.

**Major Robert A. Williams** oversees the eight field troops and the criminal division. Major Williams joined the department in 1984 and patrolled the majority of his career in Troop C-Skowhegan.

**Major Craig A. Poulin** oversees the Special Services Division, which is comprised of everything else in the State Police. Major Poulin joined the State Police in 1978 and has served in Executive Protection, Troop D, and Internal Affairs

**The total State Police budget (fiscal year 2002) was \$57,235,232 broken down into the following accounts:**

<b>\$14,244,006</b>	<b>general fund</b>
<b>\$23,493,837</b>	<b>highway fund</b>
<b>\$ 1,496,444</b>	<b>special fund</b>
<b>\$ 6,397,506</b>	<b>federal fund</b>

\$ 4,212,066	special fund (Maine Turnpike Authority)
\$ 3,695,108	special fund (commercial vehicle enforcement)
\$ 1,098,121	highway fund (Traffic Division)
\$ 1,270,294	highway fund (motor vehicle inspection)
\$ 1,177,914	licensing and enforcement
\$ 836,822	school fingerprinting with the Dept. of Education
\$ 149,936	computer crimes task force

#### ***HONOR ROLL***

#### ***STATE TROOPERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY***

##### **Trooper Emery Gooch 1885-1924**

Officer Gooch was killed when he lost control of his motorcycle in Mattawamkeag on August 9, 1924. He had joined the State Highway Patrol the month earlier.

##### **Trooper Fred Foster 1898-1925**

Trooper Foster was killed when his motorcycle struck a horse hauling a load of hay. The accident occurred in Belfast on August 20, 1925. He had joined the State Highway Patrol in 1924.

##### **Trooper Frank Wing 1902-1928**

Trooper Wing was killed when his motorcycle collided with an oil truck in Millinocket on August 19, 1928. He had joined the State Police two months earlier.

##### **Trooper Charles Black 1936-1964**

Trooper Black was shot to death on July 9, 1964 outside the Maine National Bank in South Berwick during an armed robbery. He joined the department in 1958.

##### **Trooper Thomas Merry 1952-1980**

Trooper Merry was killed on July 12, 1980 in Palmyra when struck by a car involved in a high-speed chase. Merry had parked his cruiser as part of a roadblock and was attempting to seek safe cover when struck by the fleeing car. He joined the State Police in 1977.

##### **Trooper Michael Veilleux 1962-1986**

Trooper Veilleux was killed on June 17, 1986 when he lost control of his cruiser and it overturned in Dayton. He had graduated from the State Police Academy the previous month.

##### **Detective Giles Landry 1952-1989**

Detective Landry was shot to death on March 31, 1989 while investigating a child abuse complaint in Leeds. The gunman also killed a woman who had been talking to the Detective Landry, and then fatally turning the gun on himself. Landry had joined the State Police in 1976 and was promoted to Detective in 1988.

##### **Trooper Jeffrey Parola 1967-1994**

Trooper Parola was killed on November 13, 1994 when his cruiser crashed in Sidney. He was a member of the Tactical Team and was responding to a domestic violence call at the time. Parola joined the State Police in 1989.

##### **Trooper James Griffith 1961-1996**

Trooper Griffith was killed on April 15, 1996 when a second vehicle in Warren struck his cruiser, as the Trooper was attempting to make a U-turn to pursue a speeding car. Griffith had joined the State Police in 1986.

##### **Detective Glenn Strange 1951-1997**

Detective Strange died of heart problems on October 10, 1997, days after arresting a violent drunk driver who had kicked and punched him in the chest in the town of Linneus. He had joined the State Police in 1994 following a teaching career and was promoted to Detective weeks before his death.

## **STATE POLICE TROOPS**

### **TROOP A**

**Route 202 -- 502 Waterboro Rd., Alfred, ME 04002**

**phone 324-1150, fax 324-0872**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Theodor G. Short**

Troop A covers York County and the town of Porter in Oxford County. The troop consists of a lieutenant, 3 sergeants, 12 troopers and a secretary. The troop's barracks along Route 202 in Alfred was built in 1990.

The troop provides a full range of police services to the 15 communities in York County without police departments as well as support services to the 15 other communities with police departments. One of the many responsibilities that Troop A has is providing troopers for the protection of the President George W. Bush when he visits his parents in Kennebunkport.

During 2002, Troop A worked closely with the York County Sheriff's Department, to increase enforcement along Route 111 following a series of high profile traffic crashes, including a number of fatalities. Troopers issued 375 summonses, 588 warnings and 704 defective equipment warnings during the year. Crashes were reduced by almost 50% along the road including fatality free year (2002). That compared with eight deaths on the road during 2001.

Troop A handled over 5,700 calls for service in 2002. The troop arrested 81 drunk drivers and charged 189 people with drug violations. There were 473 criminal complaints, 2103 traffic complaints and 3183 other complaints for other service.

The troop has been active with its community relations efforts through the local public access TV channel, teen speeding programs, safe schools and domestic violence initiatives. During 2002, Troop A issued 2,301 summonses, 2977 warnings and 2618 defective vehicle warnings.

### **TROOP B**

**Route 26 - One Game Farm Road, Gray, ME 04039**

**phone 657-3030 , fax 657-5748**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Ronald C. Harmon**

Troop B is responsible for Cumberland, Oxford and Androscoggin counties. The troop also patrols the 28 miles of Interstate 295 from Scarborough to Brunswick. The troop consists of a lieutenant, three sergeants and 29 troopers and operates out of a barracks along Route 26 in Gray, adjacent to the Maine Wildlife Farm. The Gray facility also houses the State Police's Regional Communication Center for southern Maine and the southern Criminal Investigation Division.

During 2002, Troop B handled 18,524 calls for service, an increase of 559 calls from the preceding year. Included in those calls were 8560 traffic incidents; 1747 criminal incidents; 8105 civil and other public services and 104 drug investigations. During the year, the troop covered 14 motor vehicle fatalities, 419 personal injury crashes and another 947 crashes with property damage. Troopers spent a considerable amount of their patrol time with drunk driving enforcement and 231 persons were charged with operating under the influence.

Troop B continued it's call-sharing agreements with the Oxford and Androscoggin County Sheriff's Departments to better serve the citizens of each county. Troop B continued to provide security support to the Seeds of Peace camp in Otisfield during the

summer months, and supported the Lewiston Police Dept. with personnel and logistics in one of Maine's largest pro-diversity and anti-racist rallies ever held in January of 2003.

### **TROOP C**

**162 West Front Street - P.O. Box 6570, Skowhegan, ME 04976**

**phone- 474-3350, fax 474-0373**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Dale P. Lancaster**

Troop C is responsible for patrolling Somerset and Franklin counties, and Northern Kennebec. The geographic area is approximately 6,310 square miles. The Troop is also responsible and patrols the 45 mile stretch of I-95 from Augusta to Newport. The Troop has a complement of one Lieutenant, three Sergeants, 24 Troopers, a Troop Investigator and a secretary. The troop has been housed in barracks along Route 2 in Skowhegan since 1952.

During 2002, Troop C handled 12,521 calls for service, a slight increase from 2001. There were 1,312 motor vehicle crashes, including 12 fatalities. The Troop covered 352 crashes with personal injury and 948 with property damage. Troop C issued 5,858 summons, 9,305 warnings and 1,866 defects.

In the area of drunk driving enforcement, 217 persons were charged with operating under the influence. Troopers issued 703 warnings and 196 summonses for child safety and seat belt violations.

Call sharing agreements continues in Kennebec and Somerset counties to coordinate the patrols of deputies and troopers. Major events in Troop C during 2002 included providing security at a large antiwar demonstration in Augusta and enforcement during the annual Hempstock festival in the Town of Starks. The troop investigated a fatal airplane crash where the pilot flew his ultra-light into a United States Geological Survey cable suspended across the Sandy River in Mercer. Troop C was involved with a large manhunt in Pittsfield during the summer involving state, county and municipal agencies. The incident arose out of a domestic fight between a husband and wife where a firearm was discharged. The man then fled into nearby woods and was arrested a couple of weeks later without incident.

### **TROOP D**

**Route 1 - 446 Main Street, Thomaston, ME 04861**

**phone- 354-2523, fax 354-0617**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Jeffrey C. Trafton**

Troop D is responsible for the mid-coast area of Maine to include Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Waldo, Knox counties and the southern half of Kennebec County. The Troop also patrols Interstate 295 from Brunswick to Gardiner. The Troop's personnel include a lieutenant, three sergeants, 23 troopers, a troop detective and a secretary. The troop has operated out of a barracks along Route 1 in Thomaston since 1940. The building was renovated and expanded in 1994.

During 2002, Troop D handled 12,359 calls for service from the public. These calls included 1,460 motor vehicle crashes including 13 fatalities. Troopers arrested 150 drunk drivers.

Criminal investigations continue to be a focus of Troop D. These cases involve everything from domestic violence, child abuse, sexual abuse, burglary, theft and drug investigations. Troop D organized and participated in The Waldo County Drug Task Force in 2002.

Troop D continues its community policing efforts by working with domestic violence advocacy organizations, the Lincoln County Weed-n-Seed program and the Mount View School Resource Officer program.

### **TROOP E**

**240 Main Street - P.O. Box 129, Orono, ME 04473**

**phone 866-2122, fax 866-3998**

**Commanding officer - Lt. Herbert R. Morse**

Troop E is responsible for Penobscot and Piscataquis counties and for patrolling the 107 miles of Interstate 95 from Newport to Sherman. The troop consists of a lieutenant, three sergeants, 24 troopers and a secretary. Also working out of the Orono barracks are eleven emergency communication specialists, a mechanic and a radio technician. The troop has operated out of the barracks in Orono since 1950. The building was renovated and expanded in 1994.

During 2002, Troop E handled 13,904 calls for service, a 4% decrease over the 14,450 calls in 2001. The call sharing agreement with the Penobscot County Sheriff's Department continues. A similar program with the Piscataquis Sheriff's Department was discontinued by the sheriff in September 2002. Those agreements coordinated the patrol coverage between troopers and deputies.

Traffic enforcement was a large part of troop activities and troopers arrested 152 drunk drivers during 2002. The troop investigated 1167 motor vehicle crashes, including 14 fatalities and 359 with personal injury.

Troop E and the Penobscot Sheriff's Department formed a task force to investigate a rash of daytime burglaries in 2001 and that combined effort continued during 2002.

### **TROOP F**

**Route 1 - 1 Darcie Drive, Houlton, ME 04730-3565**

**phone 532-5400, fax 532-5455**

**Commanding officer - Lt. J. Darrell Ouellette**

Troop F consists of a lieutenant, three sergeants, 17 troopers, a troop detective and a secretary. The troop is responsible for Aroostook County and the extreme northern sections of Somerset, Piscataquis and Penobscot counties. In addition, the Troop patrols Interstate 95 from Sherman to the Canadian border in Houlton.

For 62 years, Troop F was located in a wooden frame barracks alongside Route 1. In November of 2000, the troop moved into a new building behind the former barracks. The new building also houses the northern section of the Criminal Investigation Division as well as the Regional Communication Center which is the E-911 call center for Aroostook County. Other state agencies with offices in the building are the Warden Service, Fire Marshals Office, Maine Drug Enforcement, Probation and Parole and Forestry.

A call sharing agreement was signed with the Aroostook County Sheriff's Dept. in 2002 to coordinate police coverage in the county between troopers and deputies. The county was divided into eight zones with troopers covering six zones and the deputies covering two. Also in 2002, a troop detective was added to assist troopers with major investigations.

### **Troop G (Maine Turnpike)**

**430 Riverside Street**

**Portland, ME 04103**

**Tel: 871-7755, Fax: 871-9417**

## ***Lt. Randall T. Nichols***

Troop G provides 24-hour patrol coverage for the 110 miles of the Maine Turnpike from the Piscataqua River Bridge in Kittery to Augusta. Troop G has an authorized complement of a lieutenant, four sergeants and 30 troopers. The troop's main office is located at the renovated Crosby Farm at mile 45.8 in South Portland. Field offices are located at the York and West Gardiner turnpike maintenance facilities.

The \$4.2 million annual operating budget of Troop G is funded entirely by the Maine Turnpike Authority from toll revenues. During 2002, more than 1.2 million vehicle-miles were traveled on the turnpike, an increase of 3.2% over 2001. An average of 158,000 vehicles a day used the turnpike during 2002 – making it the state's busiest highway.

The troop responded to 12,751 dispatched calls for service in 2002 (an increase of 350 calls over 2001), including 842 reported traffic crashes, 552 criminal cases, and 169 drug seizures. There were 3 fatal crashes, 197 with personal injury, and 642 with reportable property damage. The troop has a full-time troop investigator to oversee major criminal and traffic investigations, and intelligence gathering and dissemination. The 5-year turnpike widening project ended its third year in 2002, with sections from Wells-Kennebunk and Biddeford-Saco completed. A total of 30 miles from Mile 12-42 will be widened from four to six lanes. Safety improvements include: increasing the outside shoulders from 8 to 12 feet; creating more gradual side slopes and wider bridges. Troop G personnel provided traffic control during blasting operations and dedicated thousands of hours of speed enforcement at construction zones during the year.

In addition to traffic and criminal enforcement, Troop G concentrates on drug traffickers using the turnpike to transport their contraband to other areas of Maine and beyond. In cooperation with Federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency, troopers were involved in numerous felony traffic stops of suspected drug traffickers.

The troop has stepped up criminal patrols and undercover operations at the Kittery Information Center and at park and ride lots along the turnpike, where drug trafficking, indecent conduct, vehicle burglaries, and other criminal activity tend to occur. Troop G's traffic enforcement program uses aircraft, marked and unmarked cruisers, and the latest laser and radar speed measuring technology. Sixty aircraft enforcement details were held during the year. Troopers issued 42,000 traffic citations, warnings and defective equipment cards on the turnpike, assisted over 6,000 disabled motorists, and arrested 200 drunk or drugged drivers.

Commercial vehicle enforcement is a priority and is conducted in cooperation with Troop K, the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit, with special emphasis on detecting hazardous violations and "tired truckers" operating over maximum hour limits. Permanent weigh stations are located on the turnpike in Kittery and York. Several Troop G troopers have received specialized training in commercial vehicle enforcement. Over 1,700 trucks were checked by Troop G personnel alone, resulting in over 300 trucks temporarily placed out of service for safety violations.

## ***TROOP J***

***Route 191 - P.O. Box 250, East Machias, ME 04630***

***phone 255-4000, fax 255-6113***

***Commanding officer - Lt. Wesley D. Hussey***



Troop J is responsible for Hancock and Washington counties and consists of a lieutenant, three sergeants, 15 troopers and 1 secretary. The troop's main office is located on Rt. 191 in East Machias and the troop maintains field offices in Ellsworth and Calais.

Calls for service in 2002 totaled 7,777. Of those calls for service 1,466 were criminal, 2,170 were traffic related, 35 were drug or drug related cases and 4,106 were civil or other public services. Troop J arrested 78 persons for drunk driving and investigated 6 fatal motor vehicle crashes and 282 accidents that involved personal injury.

Troop J entered into a call sharing agreement with the Washington County Sheriff's Department in June 2002 and the troop continues to maintain the call sharing agreement with Hancock County, which was the first such agreement when signed in 1997. Both agreements coordinate the patrol coverage of deputies and troopers in the two counties.

Troop J worked with domestic violence shelters in the two counties (Peaceful Choices in Washington County and the Next Step in Hancock County). One of the initiatives with the Peaceful Choices was a grant funded domestic violence investigator in Washington County. In Hancock County the Troop worked with the Ellsworth District Attorney's office on a grant funded domestic violence investigator/sexual assault coordinator.

The troop continued to work with the safe start initiative of Keeping Children Safe Downeast, which looks to improve services for children under the age of six. One of the results of that work was the purchase of 6 digital cameras for detectives and troopers in Washington County to assist them with child abuse investigations.

Troop J has also been providing overtime-dedicated patrols to the Town of Tremont under the resident trooper program and that coverage continued in 2003.

Troop J worked with the grant funded Rapid Response Program, which is run by Catholic Charities of Maine. Trained crisis workers respond to incidents in which children under age 18 have witnessed or been a victim of violence or trauma. Rapid Response is partially funded through a grant from the Maine Justice Assistance Council to the State Police, who then contract with Catholic Charities of Maine to provide those services.

### ***CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION***

The state police criminal investigation division (C.I.D.) is responsible for major investigations including homicides, suspicious deaths and child abuse cases. C.I.D. investigates all homicides in Maine, except in Portland and Bangor. The Maine Attorney Generals Office prosecutes all homicides in the state and detectives work closely with those prosecutors.

The criminal division of the state police is divided into three sections (southern, central and northern), each headed by a lieutenant and two sergeants. Maine recorded 14 homicides during 2002, the second safest year in recent decades. Historically there are an average of 25 homicides each year in Maine. Detailed records of homicides began in 1971 when the Attorney Generals Office was designated as the prosecutor of all homicide cases. In the past 30 years, the safest year was 2000 with 11 homicides. The worst year on record was 1989 with 40 homicides.

The three C.I.D. sections of the state police:

#### ***CID I - Southern Division***

**One Game Farm Road, Gray, ME 04039**

**phone 657-5710**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Brian T. McDonough**

CID I has 13 detectives covering York, Cumberland, Oxford, Franklin and Androscoggin counties.

**CID II - Central Division**

**18 Meadow Road, State House Station #104, Augusta, ME 04330**

**phone 287-7502**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Timothy S. Doyle**

CID II has 10 detectives covering Kennebec, Somerset, Waldo, Knox, Lincoln and Sagadahoc Counties.

**CID III- Northern Division**

**106 Hogan Road, Bangor, ME 04401**

**phone 941-4071**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Dennis Appleton**

CID III has 12 detectives covering Penobscot, Piscataquis, Hancock, Washington and Aroostook Counties. In addition, one detective is assigned to the Violent Crimes Task Force, working out of the US Attorney's Office in Bangor.

### **Polygraph Unit**

Lt. J. Darrell Ouellette – Supervisor - 532-5404

Sgt. Douglas W. Parlin - 657-5712

The polygraph unit is under the command of Lt. J. Darrell Ouellette. The unit has three examiners, along with a supervising examiner. Each examiner is a certified and licensed graduate of the Canadian Police College polygraph examiners training course. In addition to polygraph testing, each examiner has specialty training in statement analysis and various interview and interrogation techniques. The unit offers its services to all Maine law enforcement agencies to include both forensic and pre-employment testing.

During 2002, the unit conducted 413 polygraph examinations, compared to 369 in 2001. Of the exams administered, 143 were conducted for State Police and 279 tests were administered for other law enforcement and state trooper applicants. The majority of forensic exams were conducted in sexual assault cases, followed by thefts, arsons and death cases. The unit's confession/admission rate was 57%.

### **Maine Missing Children Clearinghouse**

Lt. J. Darrell Ouellette, Director – 532-5404

The clearinghouse is the link to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and other clearinghouses across the country. On average, about 150 children are reported missing each month in Maine; the vast majority are runaways who return home. During 2001, the national center forwarded 80 leads to the Maine Clearinghouse.

**Here is a breakdown of the Maine homicides since 1990:**

**There were 280 homicides since 1990, with 138 related to domestic violence (49%).**

	total	domestic	%
1990	29	11	38%

1991	22	9	40%
1992	25	16	64%
1993	16	11	69%
1994	28	12	46%
1995	20	10	50%
1996	25	13	52%
1997	19	6	31%
1998	26	15	57%
1999	25	16	64%
2000	14**	8**	57%**
2001	19	9	47%
2002	14	3	21%

**\*\*three of the homicides listed during 2000 occurred in 1982, 1989 and 1996, but the bodies of the victims were located in 2000**

#### **MAINE'S 14 HOMICIDES DURING 2002**

- 2/11      **Pittsfield** -- Nunzi Mancini, 38, shot and killed with a handgun in his taxicab after driving from Portland to Pittsfield. Charged with murder is 22-year-old Derek Wilhelmsen.
- 3/3      **Lewiston** -- Morgan McDuffee, 22, stabbed to death in a street fight. Brandon Thongsavanh, 19, charged with murder.
- 3/7      **Cumberland** -- Azita Jamshab, 29, shot to death with handgun at entrance of gravel pit. Her insurance agent, Santanu Basu, 34, charged with murder.
- 4/18      **Portland** -- Zacharia Abdi, 40, stabbed to death in bar fight. Modou Fall, 39, charged with elevated aggravated assault.
- 4/29      **Portland** -- Anne Marie Caouette, 36, found dead inside her apartment on May 3. Grand Jury on 9/6 indicted Mary Hanaman, 24, with murder.
- 5/26      **Bowdoin** -- Cody Green, 16, beaten to death. Her body was found a month later. Olland Reese, 19, a friend, charged with murder.
- 5/27      **Palermo** -- Daniel Walsh, 40, shot and killed with handgun inside his own home by a neighbor. Donald Mooney, 36, the neighbor, was initially charged with manslaughter, but the grand jury later indicted Mooney for terrorizing and criminal threatening.
- 6/2      **Biddeford** -- 11-month-old Chason Treadwell. The boy's mother's boyfriend, Shawn Small, 25, was initially charged with aggravated assault. He was indicted in April, 2003 for manslaughter and assault. **DOMESTIC**
- 7/18      **Greene** -- Aaron Devoe, 37, shot to death with handgun at a campground by Anthony Vellaro, 31, who then jumped into the lake and drowned. His body was found four days later. **MURDER-SUICIDE**
- 7/31      **Old Orchard Beach** -- Derek Rogers, 47, beaten to death on the beach.

Benjamin Humphrey, 29, charged with murder.

- 8/1        **Sweden** -- Barbara Bassett, 52, shot to death with handgun. Her former boyfriend, James Nadeau, 57, is charged with murder. **DOMESTIC**
- 8/9        **Milo** -- Pearle Cogswell, 66, shot to death with handgun by her husband, Eugene Cogswell, 75, who then shoots and kills himself. **DOMESTIC, MURDER-SUICIDE**
- 9/4        **Saco** -- Connie Gagliardi, 41, dies of knife wounds. Her companion, Walter Moore, 42, is charged with murder.
- 12/1       **Portland** - Store clerk Jeffrey Rainey, 32, confronts shoplifter and is stabbed to death. John Mandarelli, 39, charged with murder.

#### ***TRAFFIC DIVISION - TROOP K***

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The Traffic Division is the largest troop in the State Police with a lieutenant, six sergeants, 29 troopers, 13 motor carrier inspectors, a motor carrier supervisor and six clerical staff. The troop has three specific areas of responsibility.

#### **Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit (CVEU)**

This unit is responsible for enforcing the size and weight regulations for the thousands of commercial trucks that travel in Maine and the drivers who operate them. CVEU is staffed with 4 sergeants, 19 troopers, 13 motor carrier inspectors, a motor carrier supervisor, a hazardous material specialist and a secretary.

49,960 commercial vehicles were checked during 2002 at roadside inspections and the many weigh stations around the state, and 28,171 of those vehicles were also weighed. In addition, logbooks were also checked to insure compliance with federal hours of service regulations.

CVEU continues to take a larger role in the investigation of commercial vehicle crashes with requests for assistance from many local police and sheriff's departments, as well as troopers. In addition, Maine law requires CVEU to be involved when a fatality has occurred involving a school bus or commercial vehicles in excess of 10,000 pounds.

#### **Motor Vehicle Inspection Program**

Maine requires all motor vehicles to undergo a safety inspection once a year. Inspections are conducted at automobile dealerships, service stations and garages. To insure inspection mechanics are complying with the program, State Police conduct annual reviews of their performance and facilities. In addition, Maine's school bus fleet

is inspected each spring and fall. There are about 7,000 active licensed inspection mechanics and 2,800 inspection stations. Vehicles registered in Cumberland County are also required to undergo an emissions test. During 2002, the motor vehicle inspection program was staffed by a sergeant, eight troopers and two secretaries. In June, 2003, the troopers were reassigned elsewhere in the State Police and will be replaced by non-sworn inspectors.

## **Traffic Safety**

### **Crash Reconstruction Program**

Reconstructing a crash involves close analysis of all scene evidence, vehicle condition and position, driver history and a number of other factors in order to determine the cause of a crash. During the year 2002, 386 crashes were reconstructed (8% increase over 2001), including 130 crashes fatalities. There are a total of 47 certified reconstruction specialists in the program.

### **Forensic Mapping Program**

Forensic mapping is documenting crash and homicide scenes with electronic measuring stations (electronic transits). State Police are equipped with five of the devices around the state. Seventy-three crash and homicide scenes were forensically mapped in 2002.

### **Vehicle Autopsy Program**

A vehicle autopsy involves inspecting a vehicle after it has been involved in a crash to determine if a vehicle defect may have been a contributing factor in the crash. State Police have 15 certified specialists who conducted 87 post crash inspections during 2002.

### **Fleet Safety Board**

The board reviews all crashes involving State Police to determine if the crash was preventable. In 2002 105 crashes were reviewed. Thirty-nine crashes were found to be preventable and 66 were found to non-preventable.

### **Crash Records**

The traffic division is the repository for all Maine traffic crash reports. The year 2002 marked a milestone in Maine's Crash Record Program as it began electronic transfer of computer generated crash reports. The computer program allows police officers in the field to collect the crash data on a laptop and then transfer electronically to the traffic division.

## **STATE POLICE TRAINING**

**Maine Criminal Justice Academy, 15 Oak Grove Road, Vassalboro, ME 04989**

**Phone 877-8017, fax 877-8027**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Charles H. Howe**

State Police conduct training at a number of levels. Operating out of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro this section is responsible for advanced training for new troopers, mandated and other in-service training, several canine training schools, as well as monthly canine in-service training for a number of local, county and state law enforcement agencies. The unit is responsible for firearms in-service for members of the Department of Public Safety. In addition the training section oversees the complex application process and recruitment for new troopers.

During 2002, two basic law enforcement training programs were completed at the academy. The classes were made up of municipal, county and state law enforcement officers along with 13 new troopers. In addition, eight former municipal police officers joined the State Police under a new program initiated during the year. In the past, all

new troopers had to attend a separate State Police academy, even if they had previously graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy as a municipal officer or deputy sheriff. Under the new program, State Police waived that previous requirement. Instead the officers were enrolled in a ten-week troopers training school to familiarize them with State Police policies, procedures and new law enforcement requirements.

During the 1990s, 204 new troopers graduated from six separate State Police training troops. Since 2000, 39 new troopers have also graduated. Additionally the training unit is working closely with the DPS personnel section to "directly" hire new troopers. This change has greatly streamlined the applicant process so trooper candidates can complete the process in as little as 4 months. Interested candidates should contact the training office for more information.

### **CRIME LABORATORY**

**26 Hospital Street, State House Station #133**

**Augusta, ME. 04333-0133**

**Phone 624-7017, fax 624-7123**

**Director – Timothy D. Kupferschmid served as director from 2000 to June 2003.**

**The acting director is Sgt. William Harwood. – Email – [bill.s.harwood@Maine.gov](mailto:bill.s.harwood@Maine.gov)**

The nationally accredited crime laboratory is adjacent to headquarters and is staffed by 20 personnel in administrative, technical and clerical positions. 815 cases from federal, state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies were submitted to the laboratory during 2002.

#### **Forensic Chemistry Section**

This section is responsible for the examination, detection and analysis of various types of physical evidence. The chemists use chemical, serological, microscopic and instrumental analyses to detect, identify and/or compare fibers, paint, hair, glass, adhesives, cosmetics, polymers, gunshot residue, accelerants, accelerant residues and blood and body fluids. Sperm searches and confirmatory tests for semen and blood are also conducted. These evidence types are commonly collected from victims, suspects, motor vehicles, crime scenes and fire scenes.

#### **Forensic Biology Section**

This section performs DNA identification of remains for the medical examiner's office and DNA analysis on physical evidence. Blood samples from convicted felons are also received, stored, cataloged, and DNA profiled. All DNA profiles are stored in the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) database, which is searched for matches between evidence samples. These are also compared to DNA profiles across the United States through the FBI's National DNA database. To date, Maine has produced matches in 52 criminal cases. This includes DNA matches to 17 cases from other states.

#### **Latent Print Section**

This section conducts examinations on many types of physical evidence from crime scenes. The section detects, develops, photographs and compares fingerprint, palm, footwear and tire track impressions. Unidentified latent fingerprint impressions are entered into the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). The AFIS database consists of over 420,000 criminal fingerprint cards from Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. AFIS went on line in 1998 and has resulted in the identification of numerous suspects and deceased persons.

#### **Firearms Section**

This section is responsible for the examination and comparison of bullets and cartridge casings recovered during criminal investigations to determine whether they were fired from a suspect weapon. Similar to the AFIS program, the ballistics version is known as the National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN).

### **Photography Section**

Processes film submitted in connection with various types of criminal investigations, crime scenes, autopsies and latent impressions from fingerprint cases. In 2002, over 3,700 rolls of color film and 286 rolls of black and white film were developed resulting in over 64,000 prints.

### **Evidence Response Team**

This group of 20 evidence response technicians responds to major crime scenes. The team spent 104 hours training during 2002 and responded to hundreds of crime scenes.

### **SPECIAL SERVICES**

**397 Water Street, Gardiner, ME 04350**

**mailing address – State House Station 164, Augusta, ME 04333-0164**

**phone 287-6702, fax 287-3042**

Commanding Officer - Lt. William A. Snedeker

Special Services oversees the air wing, executive protection, and the bomb, canine, crisis negotiations, underwater recovery and tactical teams and the State Police coordination on homeland security issues and intelligence with other state and federal agencies.

#### **Air Wing**

Chief Pilot Wayne Ireland - 624-8794

This section is staffed by two pilots. State Police operate two fixed-wing aircraft and conducts surveillance flights, aircraft speed enforcement details and transports personnel in routine and emergency situations.

#### **Executive Protection**

Sgt. Patrick J. Fleming - 287-3531

Providing security to the Governor and his family is the responsibility of the Executive Protection Unit. During 2002, the team continued to coordinate the Governor's security for Governor Angus King who lived in his home in Brunswick, rather than at the Blaine House in Augusta, the official governor's residence in Maine. Beginning in 2003 with the inauguration of Governor John Baldacci, the protection continued for the new governor and his family, who reside in the Blaine House.

#### **Bomb Team**

Sgt. Frank E. Poirier – 474-3350

The bomb team has been active since 1994 and consists of five bomb technicians. The team is responsible for investigating actual or suspected explosive devices and was called out 72 times during 2002, compared to 94 calls in 2001 and 54 calls during 2000. Most of the increase in calls over the past two years can be attributed to the aftermath of 9/11.

#### **Canine Team**

Sgt. Michael J. Kaspereen - 877-8013

There are 21 working teams of troopers and their dogs who were involved in 1,110 calls during 2002, 85 fewer calls than the previous year. The teams were involved in 450 tracks and 300 drug searches. Other calls included many public appearances, 90 bomb searches and 42 building searches. The State Police canine school trained 14 new canine teams for state, county and local police agencies during 2002.

A new canine training center along Route 201 in Vassalboro opened during the year, adjacent to the Maine Criminal Justice Academy

#### **Crisis Negotiations Team**

Sgt. James L. Luce - 624-8785

This specially trained group of 19 negotiators responds to life threatening incidents such as suicidal threats, barricaded persons and hostage takers. Their goal is to open a line of communication aimed at resolving the situation in a nonviolent manner. The team works in conjunction with the tactical team and responds to most of their calls. During 2002 the negotiations team had the busiest year ever with 50 calls. That number compared to only 19 calls in 2001, and an average of 30 calls in each of the previous five years.

#### **Tactical Team**

Sgt. Christopher Coleman – 866-2122

The tactical team responds to Maine's most dangerous calls of hostage and barricaded persons and 2002 was their busiest year ever. The team consists of seventeen members, augmented by two canine handlers and two medics. During 2002 the team responded to 59 calls compared to 24 calls during 2001, 48 calls during 2000 and 35 calls during '99. The team devoted several days to training in a variety of different locations including the former Maine State Prison, the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Plant and LL Bean. The team also hosted three days of joint training with their counterparts from the other New England states.

#### **Underwater Recovery Team**

Lt. Raymond Bessette – 624-7061

The dive team consists of nine members, seven from State Police and two divers from the Maine Marine Patrol. During 2002, the team participated in 34 dives consisting of 12 evidence and article recoveries and 9 body recoveries. The team also conducted several training sessions to maintain their diving skills.

#### **Homeland Security**

Lt. William Snedeker – 287-6702

The commander of the special services coordinates the State Police response to terrorism and weapons of mass destruction calls. Lt. Snedeker serves as a member of the anti-terrorism task force from US Attorney's Office in Portland and also sits on the state planning team for weapons of mass destruction (WMD). In the past year, every state trooper has been equipped with personal protection gear and undergone WMD and incident command training. A remotely operated bomb robot and new bomb protective suits were obtained with federal funds.

#### **Criminal Intelligence- 624-8787**

Criminal Intelligence is responsible for obtaining, analyzing and disseminating criminal intelligence information. It also provides covert surveillance and detection equipment to officers in the field, along with technical support and training. The unit also coordinates information between state and federal agencies in the areas of terrorism and homeland security.

### ***LIQUOR, GAMING & WEAPONS LICENSING AND COMPLIANCE***

***397 Water Street, Gardiner,***

***mailing address – State House Station 164. Augusta, Me. 04333***

***Phone 624-8701, fax 624-8765***

***Commanding Officer – Lt. John P. Dyer – Email – [John.P.Dyer@maine.gov](mailto:John.P.Dyer@maine.gov)***

This division oversees liquor, gaming and weapons licensing, concealed weapons licenses and the Computer Crimes Task Force.



## **Liquor Licensing**

In June of 2003, the division assumed oversight of liquor licensing, liquor tax revenue collection and administrative liquor enforcement, replacing the Bureau of Liquor Enforcement, which was downsized as a result of budget reductions. Liquor inquiries should be forwarded at 624-8973 or 624-8945.

## **Gaming and Weapons**

This section is responsible for licensing games of chance, investigating illegal gambling; issuing permits for concealed firearms and private investigator licenses. State Police issue concealed weapon permits to residents living in communities without police departments, and to out of state requests. In 2002, 2,437 concealed weapon permits were issued to Maine residents and another 1204 to nonresidents. The permits are issued for four years and the cost is \$60. for non-residents and \$35 to Maine residents. Also issued during the year were 2,392 beano licenses, 10,264 games of chance licenses, 85 private investigators, 20 investigative assistant licenses, 69 contract security licenses and 1,347 security guard licenses.

## **Computer Crimes Task Force**

Sgt. Glenn Lang – 877-8081 – glang@mcctf.org

This unit is housed at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro and also has an office at a Lewiston Police Department. The unit is supervised by a State Police sergeant and staffed full-time by a State Police detective and two Lewiston police officers. In addition, several other police officers around Maine have been trained as associate members. Since its inception in 2000, the unit has analyzed over 600 computers; the vast majority for child pornography and exploitation. Other crimes involved have been fraud, credit card abuse, harassment and forgery.

## **FLEET SERVICES**

**phone 287-8235, fax 287-8250**

**Fleet Manager-David Blake**

The four public safety garages service and maintain 614 vehicles; the majority are State Police cruisers. The Augusta garage is located in a rented facility at 765 Riverside Drive and staffed by four mechanics, a supervisor, an account clerk and a fleet support specialist. In South Portland, off the Maine Turnpike, the department's garage is staffed by two mechanics. Smaller garages are located at the Orono Barracks and the Houlton Public Safety Building, each staffed by one mechanic. Since 1996, Ford Crown Victorias have been used as patrol cars for troopers. In addition to Ford cruisers, administrators and detectives are issued Chevrolet Impalas. During 2002, 113 older vehicles from Public Safety were sent to state auction generating proceeds of \$316,850.

## **INTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**397 Water Street, Gardiner,**

**mailing address – State House Station 164, Augusta, ME 04333,**

**phone – 624-8786, fax - 624-8711**

Lt. Jonathan Mahon and Sgt. James L. Luce.

Internal Affairs is responsible for ensuring that all allegations of misconduct and other alleged violations by employees of the State Police are investigated. A lieutenant, sergeant, and a secretary staff the unit. During 2002, 125 complaints were reviewed by the unit, compared to 118 complaints in 2001 and 105 complaints during 2000. Of the 2002 complaints, 55 were sustained, 24 were not sustained, 24 were unfounded, 9 were exonerated, and 12 were closed as informational. One case remained open.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

**36 Hospital St, State House Station 42, Augusta, ME 04333-0042**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Raymond A. Bessette - phone - 624-7061**

**Northern Supervisor - Sgt. Christopher Coleman - phone 532-5423**

**Southern Supervisor - Sgt. Mark Sawyer - phone 624-7066**

State Police operate four regional communication centers (RCC), 22 transmitter sites and over 100 repeater and base stations. They also serve as the central computer link for Maine police agencies seeking information from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System.

**The department's four RCCs operate round-the-clock:**

**GRAY            657-3030 or 1-800-482-0730**

**AUGUSTA      624-7000 or 1-800-452-4664**

**ORONO        866-2122 or 1-800-432-7381**

**HOULTON     532-5400 or 1-800-924-2261**

**CELLULAR CALLS - 911**

**TDD / TTY line (Statewide) 1-888-524-7900**

The four RCCs are the PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) for all cellular 911 in Maine. A new statewide number for the deaf for non-emergency calls to the State Police became active during 2002 (1-888-524-7900). This number is answered by the Orono RCC, which will screen the call, answer any questions, or forward it to the appropriate RCC for local service.

The Gray RCC is staffed by two supervisors and 18 emergency communications specialists (ECS). During 2002, the Gray RCC received 47,867 calls for service. The Augusta RCC is staffed by two supervisors, 17 ECS' and handled 36,867 calls for service. The Orono RCC has one supervisor, 12 ECS' and received 32,474 calls for service. ECS Phil Moody of the Orono RCC was named "Maine's Telecommunicator of the Year for 2002". The Houlton RCC has one supervisor, 9 ECS' and handled 14,908 calls for service. Late in 2002, the Houlton RCC was activated as the public safety answering point for all E911 calls Aroostook County.

Overall the communications division handled 132,116 calls (an increase of 11.9% over 2001). Since the implementation of wireless 911, the cellular calls into the four RCC's have increased dramatically and that trend continued in 2002 with the four RCC's handling 31% of all E911 calls in the state, including all the 911 calls from cellular telephones.

Radio Repair is staffed by a supervisor, four technicians who service the RCC's, transmitter sites and nearly 800 mobile radios for State Police and 18 other public safety agencies. Radio Repair assisted in the installation of mobile data terminals in each vehicle, which was completed in early 2003.

The Maine Telecommunication and Radio Operation is the computer link between Maine police departments and the State Police serve as the central hub. During 2002, there were 47.8 million transactions, equating to 5,481 contacts every hour of the day.

## **RECORD MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**36 Hospital St., Augusta,**

**Mailing address - State House Station 42, Augusta, ME 04333-0042**

**phone - 624-7009, fax - 624-7088**

**Commanding Officer - Lt. Jackie Theriault**

This unit oversees the State Bureau of Identification, sex offender registry, Uniform Crime Reporting and investigative records.

### **STATE BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION (SBI)**

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Criminal History Records Supervisor Lynn Morin - [lynn.m.morin@state.me.us](mailto:lynn.m.morin@state.me.us)  
phone 624-7011

Criminal History/AFIS Supervisor Wendy Cunningham -  
[wendy.o.cunningham@state.me.us](mailto:wendy.o.cunningham@state.me.us) , phone 624-7012

The State Bureau of Identification (SBI) is Maine's repository for the criminal history records. The names of over 500,000 persons are contained with these files, many with multiple offenses. SBI is located at State Police headquarters and staffed by twenty-five employees. SBI receives requests from the criminal justice system, governmental agencies, non-profit groups, private employers and the public. Some of the types of criminal history checks SBI receives are for administration of criminal justice, Brady Law, Immigration and Visa criminal history request, adoption requests, employment, housing, licensing and the public.

In September 2002, SBI implemented the initial phase of its automation project to computerize criminal history records. Sorting by hand is still required to build a criminal history record, but after the first request, the record is available electronically. Criminal history records checks can be made online at [www.maine.gov/pcr](http://www.maine.gov/pcr) . In May of 2003, the cost of criminal checks increased to \$25. Agencies having multiple requests can register with [www.informe.org/subscribe](http://www.informe.org/subscribe) and be eligible for a volume discount.

**Sex Offender Registry** Supervisor Donna Cote – phone 624-7100 -  
[donna.l.cote@state.me.us](mailto:donna.l.cote@state.me.us)

The Maine Sex Offender Registry contains the names and addresses of over 1000 offenders. Anyone convicted of a sex offense after June 30, 1992, is required to register as either a sex offender or a violent predator. Sex offenders must register annually for 10 years and predators must verify their address every ninety days for life. Plans are underway to post the sex offender registry on the DPS web site.

### **Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)**

Supervisor – Sgt. Thomas E. Kelly - [thomas.e.kelly@maine.gov](mailto:thomas.e.kelly@maine.gov)  
phone 624-7003

Clerk Typist III – Mary B. Anderson – [mary.b.anderson@maine.gov](mailto:mary.b.anderson@maine.gov)  
phone 624-7004,

Uniform Crime Reporting is responsible for the collection of crime statistics and data from Maine's law enforcement agencies and posts those findings in its annual "Crime in Maine" report available on the Department of Public Safety web-page at [www.maine.gov/dps](http://www.maine.gov/dps) under "Crime Statistics". Among the crimes tracked are; murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, arson, domestic violence, hate crimes, and assaults on police officers.

### **Investigative Records**

Supervisor - Sgt. Thomas Kelly - phone 624-7003

Clerk Typist II – Jessica Cummings – [Jessica.l.cummings@maine.gov](mailto:Jessica.l.cummings@maine.gov)  
phone 624-7001

Investigative Records is the repository of State Police criminal and civil investigative reports. The reports are entered into a computerized master name index and microfilmed. There are 600,616 names and 222,550 cases currently on file dating back to 1983. Additional names date back to 1955 on microfilm. Requests for those

reports come from insurance companies, law enforcement agencies, law firms, and the public.

**Office of State Fire Marshal**

**397 Water Street, Gardiner**

**mailing address - State House Station 52, Augusta, ME 04333-0052**

**phone 624-8964, fax 624-8968**

**State Fire Marshal John C. Dean - [john.c.dean@Maine.gov](mailto:john.c.dean@Maine.gov)**

**Assistant Fire Marshal Joseph Thomas – [joseph.e.thomas@Maine.gov](mailto:joseph.e.thomas@Maine.gov)**

The Office of State Fire Marshal is responsible for investigating all fires causing death or injury, suspicious fires and explosions. The office also oversees an inspection program aimed at identifying and correcting life safety hazards. In addition to the fire marshal and his assistant, the office staff includes a planning & research associate and three secretaries. The bureau has two divisions; Investigation and Prevention. The fire marshal budget of \$3,264,471 is funded from fire insurance premiums, fees, permits and inspections.

**Investigation Division**

This division consists of two sergeants; eleven fire investigators and two accelerant detection dogs. During 2002, the bureau responded to 396 fires, 62 fireworks incidents, 50 explosives incidents, and 127 other investigations. Investigators inspected 344 fireworks display sites.

The investigations by county were:

Androscoggin 25	Aroostook 37
Cumberland 53	Franklin 12
Hancock 33	Kennebec 30
Knox 7	Lincoln 4
Oxford 21	Penobscot 48
Piscataquis 27	Sagadahoc 18
Somerset 33	Waldo 23
Washington 25	York 38

Fires by classification:

Accidental – 153

Intentional – 137

Undetermined – 106

Most of the investigators are instructors for the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and are actively involved in teaching courses affiliated with the academy. This offers the FMO an opportunity for valuable exposure within the law enforcement community.

Examples of training programs delivered during the year are:

Arson Awareness

MSP ERT Arson Awareness Training

MSP Training Troop

Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings

Arson Detection for the First Responder (NFA)

College of the Atlantic - Forensics in the Classroom

EMTC - Basic Fire Investigation Course

NMTC - Basic Fire Investigation Course  
NMTC - Fire Inspections Principles Course  
Pine Tree Burn Conference - Improvised Explosive Devices

### **Prevention Division**

This division is lead by a supervisor and eleven inspectors, five plans reviewers and three clerical personnel. It conducted over 5300 inspections during 2002. The breakdown is as follows:

Childcare Facilities -3576  
Healthcare Facilities – 488  
Mental Health Facilities – 83  
Amusement Facilities – 545  
Fireworks – 439  
Explosives Storage and Transport – 173

In addition to on-site inspections, construction plans for new buildings are reviewed for compliance with fire and life safety standards as well as the Americans with Disabilities Act and Maine Human Rights Commission rules and regulations. The division also reviews fire sprinkler plans, mechanical rides, above ground storage of flammable liquids and administers the Aboveground Tank Insurance Fund.

In 2002 the Plan Review Section issued:

837 Construction permits  
630 Barrier free permits  
592 Sprinkler permits  
214 Sprinkler licenses were issued including:  
    87 Contractor licenses  
    102 Inspector licenses  
    51 Responsible Managing Supervisor license  
21 Self-service gas station permits  
78 Aboveground flammable liquid storage tank permits  
28 Fixed park amusement permits  
360 Amusement ride permits

### **Fire Marshal History**

The history of the State Fire Marshal's Office has evolved from their creation in 1937 as the Division of State Fire Prevention to combat fraudulent insurance claims. On July 1, 1972, the division was transferred to the newly created Department of Public Safety. The following year the bureau's name was changed to the Office of State Fire Marshal.

The following have served in the role of State Fire Marshal:

Director Joseph A.P. Flynn 1939 to 1965  
Director and Fire Marshal Charles F. Rogan 1965 to 1975  
Fire Marshal Don Bissett 1977 to 1991  
Fire Marshal Dennis Lundstedt 1992 to 1995  
Fire Marshal Ladd Alcott 1995 to 1998  
Fire Marshal John C. Dean 1998 to present

### **Maine Fire Deaths**

Since 1950, the Office of State Fire Marshal has kept detailed records of fire deaths. The 1990s saw a dramatic drop in fire deaths thanks to the prominent use of smoke detectors, improved building codes and increased fire prevention programs by local fire departments.

**1950 to 1959 -- 484 deaths**

**1960 to 1969 -- 493 deaths**

**1970 to 1979 -- 498 deaths**

**1980 to 1989 -- 324 deaths**

**1990 to 1999 -- 200 deaths**

**2000 -- 17**

**2001 -- 18**

**2002 - 16**

**Maine's deadliest fires since 1945:**

**January 31, 1945: Auburn, 17 killed, one nurse and 16 infants at Le Coste Baby Home**

**1947: Forest fires, 15 killed and over 200,000 acres burned. Damage over \$30 million.**

**March 2, 1950: Monson house fire kills eight (two adults and six children)**

**March 27, 1960: Winthrop house fire kills six (one adult and five children)**

**December 15, 1963: Portland house fire kills six children.**

**July 4, 1967: Oxford house fire kills eight (three adults and five children)**

**September 20, 1984: Hartland house fire kills five (one adult and four children).**

**Deadliest year for fire deaths was 1967 with 70 deaths.**

**Safest year for fire deaths was 1995 with 12 deaths.**

## **Maine Criminal Justice Academy**

**15 Oak Grove Road, Vassalboro, ME 04989**

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**Director John Rogers E-mail – [john.rogers@Maine.gov](mailto:john.rogers@Maine.gov)**

The Maine Criminal Justice Academy (MCJA) is the central training facility for state, county and municipal law enforcement officers and corrections personnel. The campus is located at the former Oak Grove-Coburn School in Vassalboro. The Academy has a staff of eleven full-time people and operates with an annual budget of \$1,488,942 (combination of general funds and special revenues). In addition to the full-time staff, the Academy relies heavily on volunteer instructors from state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies, county and state corrections agencies and other criminal justice fields. The academy has eleven classrooms, four conference rooms, a full cafeteria and can house 130 students. The building has a special training center, an indoor running track and formal parade grounds.

The mission of the MCJA is to provide the highest level of training to law enforcement and correctional officers. By statute, the academy is required to provide a basic training program for all full-time law enforcement officers, pre-service training for all part time law enforcement officers and basic corrections training for all county and state correctional officers. The academy also coordinates the 8 regional training districts, which provides academy certified training to officers outside of greater Augusta-Waterville.

A seventeen-member board of trustees, appointed by the Governor, oversees MCJA. The board meets regularly to consider training and admissions standards, certification of police and corrections officers, police chiefs and county sheriffs and review disciplinary action of law enforcement and corrections officers. Brian MacMaster from the Attorney General's Office serves as chairman.

During calendar year 2002, the Academy provided training for:  
105 students who graduated from two 18-week long Basic Law Enforcement Training Programs (BLETP).  
259 students who completed the 100-hour Law Enforcement Pre-Service Training Program.  
224 students graduated from the 2-week Basic Corrections Officer Training Program.  
154 In-Service Training Programs attend by a total of 3004 officers.  
324 training programs were conducted in the 8 regional training districts attended by 8,690 officers

### **The Academy History**

**From 1972 until December 28, 2000, MCJA was located on Silver Street in Waterville at the former Thomas College facility. Since the mid 1980s, academy officials began looking for a site for a new campus because of over crowding at the Waterville location. In 1989, the state purchased the former Oak Grove-Coburn School, but a downturn in state finances delayed any renovations and it sat vacant for nearly a decade. In 1998-99, Governor King and the Maine Legislature appropriated \$13,271,203 to renovate the building. Ground breaking took place on September 7, 1999. On December 28, 2000, academy staff moved to the new facility and officially transferred operations there.**

### **Bureau of Highway Safety**

**397 Water St., Gardiner**

**mailing address – State House Station 164, Augusta, ME 04333-0164**

**phone - 624-8756, fax - 624-8768**

**Director Richard E. Perkins E-mail – [richard.e.perkins@Maine.gov](mailto:richard.e.perkins@Maine.gov)**

The Bureau of Highway Safety (BHS) promotes safety programs to reduce death and injuries on Maine roads. During 2002, BHS had a staff of six and operated on a budget of \$2,944,414 funded from the following sources; \$2,414,000 federal funds, \$455,779 highway funds and \$74,634 matching funds from grants and defensive driving courses.

The bureau administers a federal grant-in-aid program directed at improving driver behavior, manages the state's defensive driving program and administers the implied consent program to test drivers suspected of operating under the influence. Much of the funding for the bureau comes from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and is passed through to local, county and state police agencies. BHS continued its support of the Maine Crash Reporting System that allows police officers to use laptop computers to collect traffic crash information. As of April 2003, 138 police departments submit crash reports electronically. BHS supported 34 grants to local and county police agencies for OUI enforcement efforts, which included roadblocks and special patrols.

During 2002, BHS administered the Network of Employers for Traffic Safety program which worked with public and private businesses to promote traffic safety for

employees and their families. That program was transferred to the Maine Department of Labor in early 2003.

During 2002, 6,141 persons attended defensive driving classes conducted around the state. The course is five hours of classroom instruction emphasizing safe driving and crash avoidance.

One of the key historical numbers in highway safety is the percentage of fatal crashes that involve alcohol. Maine has maintained those numbers for decades and the rate of alcohol involved fatal crashes has dropped from 60.2% in 1980 to 19.4% during 2002. The Bureau of Highway Safety has contributed to these improvements by supporting tougher OUI laws, promoting and funding stronger enforcement operations and conducted public information efforts aimed at reducing impaired driving.

**Alcohol Involved Motor Vehicle Fatal Crashes (1980 to 2002)**

<b>1980</b>	<b>60.2 %</b>	<b>157 out of 261 fatalities</b>
<b>1981</b>	<b>60.2 %</b>	<b>127 out of 211 fatalities</b>
<b>1982</b>	<b>50.6 %</b>	<b>84 out of 166 fatalities</b>
<b>1983</b>	<b>56.7 %</b>	<b>127 out of 224 fatalities</b>
<b>1984</b>	<b>53.8 %</b>	<b>125 out of 232 fatalities</b>
<b>1985</b>	<b>53.4 %</b>	<b>110 out of 206 fatalities</b>
<b>1986</b>	<b>50.5 %</b>	<b>108 out of 214 fatalities</b>
<b>1987</b>	<b>49.1 %</b>	<b>114 out of 232 fatalities</b>
<b>1988</b>	<b>34.8 %</b>	<b>89 out of 256 fatalities (.08 law effective 8/4/88)</b>
<b>1989</b>	<b>32.1 %</b>	<b>61 out of 190 fatalities</b>
<b>1990</b>	<b>38.0 %</b>	<b>81 out of 213 fatalities</b>
<b>1991</b>	<b>35.6 %</b>	<b>73 out of 205 fatalities</b>
<b>1992</b>	<b>39.7 %</b>	<b>85 out of 214 fatalities</b>
<b>1993</b>	<b>40.0 %</b>	<b>74 out of 185 fatalities</b>
<b>1994</b>	<b>34.4 %</b>	<b>65 out of 189 fatalities</b>
<b>1995</b>	<b>27.1 %</b>	<b>51 out of 188 fatalities</b>
<b>1996</b>	<b>32.5 %</b>	<b>55 out of 169 fatalities</b>
<b>1997</b>	<b>32.8 %</b>	<b>63 out of 192 fatalities</b>
<b>1998</b>	<b>26.0 %</b>	<b>50 out of 192 fatalities</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>28.2 %</b>	<b>51 out of 178 fatalities</b>
<b>2000</b>	<b>27.2 %</b>	<b>46 out of 169 fatalities</b>
<b>2001</b>	<b>24.4%</b>	<b>47 out of 192 fatalities</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>42 out of 216 fatalities</b>

During 2002, the deadliest motor vehicle crash in state history occurred at Johns Bridge in the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. On September 12, a van with 15 foreign woods workers ran off the bridge and landed in the water, killing 14 of them. This was the deadliest crash since 1958. In that year a car was struck by a tractor-trailer in Richmond and killed seven persons

The deadliest year on Maine roads was 1970 when 276 persons died, and the safest in recent years were 1996 and 2000 with 169 deaths in each year.

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Maine EMS (MEMS) is the agency responsible for the regulation, coordination and oversight of the emergency medical services system. The bureau is also responsible for the training, licensing, and patient care standards for EMS services and personnel. MEMS also oversees the Maine EMS Trauma Plan which directs and monitors the care of seriously ill and injured patients treated by Maine hospitals. MEMS has five full time employees and has contracts with six regional EMS offices. These six offices are each non-profit corporations that coordinate the training, examination, and quality assurance activities in their respective geographic areas. For FY 02, the budget was \$1,446,339, funded by state general fund, a federal EMS for Children Grant, and by license and examination fees--a portion of which are returned to the regional offices.

MEMS licenses approximately 285 EMS services, 500 vehicles, and 4,500 individual providers. The office conducts annual inspections of the services and vehicles, and investigates complaints involving EMS practice. MEMS also monitors the delivery of training programs and updates curricula to meet national standards. In addition to regulatory functions, Maine EMS continued its activity in youth suicide prevention, pediatric EMS treatment, and playground safety. An electronic "Emergency Guidelines for Maine Schools" was created and added to the MEMS web site. Although MEMS has been involved in hazardous materials and weapons of mass destruction programs for several years, that activity took on a heightened role following the events of September 11, 2001. In the hours and days that followed the terrorist attacks, MEMS became the clearinghouse for information and resources for Maine's health care community.

***The Bureau of Liquor Enforcement was reorganized and downsized in June of 2003. The Bureau served the state since 1933 and was responsible for enforcing the state's liquor laws, issuing liquor licenses and collecting malt and wine taxes. In June 2003, the liquor enforcement function was reorganized and downsized as a result of budget reductions. The administrative liquor licensing and civil-tax revenue collection and other civil responsibilities remains in the Department of Public Safety, under the new Liquor, Gaming and Weapons Licensing and Compliance Division. That division is at 397 Water Street in Gardiner and supervised by Lt. John P. Dyer. The phone numbers for liquor inquiries is 624-8973 and 624-8945. The E-mail address is [john.p.dyer@Maine.gov](mailto:john.p.dyer@Maine.gov)***

**Maine Drug Enforcement Agency (MDEA)**

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The Maine Drug Enforcement Agency (MDEA) is the state's lead agency for coordinated drug enforcement operations with officers assigned from state, county and local police departments. The mission of MDEA is to reduce the distribution, availability

and use of illicit drugs through a coordinated, collaborative statewide drug enforcement effort MDEA had 36 law enforcement officers involved in 2002, from 26 different agencies. This was complimented with the assignment of five National Guard personnel from their counter drug program.

MDEA has only three state employees – the director and two secretaries. The Director of Roy McKinney, who has served in that position since September 1997. Prior to serving with MDEA, McKinney served twenty years with the Bangor Police Department, retiring as a lieutenant in charge of the departments criminal investigation division.

The total MDEA budget for fiscal year 2002 was \$3,070,393 broken down into the following accounts: \$847,926 general fund, \$1,810,708 federal fund & \$412,305 special fund.

In addition to its primary mission, the MDEA is engaged in the following initiatives:

New England High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area

This is a collaborative effort with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration focusing on the dismantling of cocaine and heroin distribution groups operating in Cumberland County.

Clandestine Laboratory Response Team

Select MDEA officers have received training and are OSHA certified and equipped to investigate and dismantle highly dangerous Methamphetamine labs in concert with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's New England Clandestine Lab Enforcement Team.

Providing Source Management, Surveillance and Drug Identification & Interdiction instruction to the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Basic Police School, police regional training and other criminal justice professionals.

Drug awareness presentations before civic groups, schools and professional groups on Maine's drug trends.

#### **MDEA REGIONAL TASK FORCE OFFICES**

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**Supervisory Special Agent George J. Connick**

The Augusta office is responsible for Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc and Waldo County. The office's personnel include a supervisory special agent, four special agents and a National Guard investigative support officer.

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**Supervisory Special Agent Garry T. Higgins**

The Bangor office is responsible for Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Somerset County. The office is staffed by a supervisory special agent, five special agents and a secretary.

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**Supervisory Special Agent Darrell O. Crandall**

The Houlton office is responsible for Aroostook and Washington County. The office's personnel include a supervisory special agent, three special agents and a National Guard investigative support officer.

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**Supervisory Special Agent Garry L. Baril**

The Lewiston office is responsible for Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford County. The office's personnel include a supervisory special agent, five special agents and a National Guard investigative support officer.

**Portland – 565 Congress St., Suite 300, Portland ME 04101-3315**

**Phone 822-0370 Supervisory Special Agent Scott Pelletier**

The Portland office is responsible for Cumberland County and is staffed by a supervisor and five agents.

**Alfred – P O Box 498, Alfred, ME 04002**

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The Alfred Office formerly was located in Lyman. The office moved to the State Police barracks in Alfred in July 2003 and is responsible for York County. It is staffed by a supervisor and two agents.

## **Emergency Services Communication Bureau (E 9-1-1)**

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The Emergency Services Communication Bureau (ESCB) oversees the implementation and operation of the statewide Enhanced 911 (E9-1-1) emergency telephone reporting system. The system allows all telephone users to dial 911 in an emergency and be connected to the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for their area. E911 provides the PSAP with the name, address, telephone number of the caller, and police, fire, and rescue agencies that serve that address.

ESCB operates on an annual budget of \$6,886,235 and has a staff of five. The funding for the bureau and E911 system comes from a dedicated interest-bearing account generated from a monthly surcharge of \$.50 on each telephone line in Maine.

ESCB began PSAP activations in late 2000. At the end of 2002, 96% of Maine's population in 15 counties had E911 access. Hancock County was activated in early 2003, leaving only the town of Lincoln without E911 service. There are 48 PSAPs who receive about 35,700 calls each month.

There are about 850 personnel who staff the state's PSAPs and all have been trained and certified in the use of the new technology and operational procedures by attending a two day course sponsored by the bureau. As part of the training, all students learn to operate the 911 equipment and are required to demonstrate their skill level as part of the course. ESCB continues to provide technical support for community addressing with 75 communities and 92 townships yet to finish the process as of the end of 2002.

Upcoming challenges for the bureau include E911 activation for cellular telephones, a move from wireless implementation to overall system maintenance and evaluation of low call volume PSAPs for possible elimination and consolidation with other PSAPs.

## **Capitol Security**

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Capital Security is responsible for security and law enforcement for most state buildings in Augusta, including the State House complex, Augusta Mental Health Institute and the Stevens facility in Hallowell. The bureau also enforces parking regulations in all State House parking areas. Capitol Security consists of a director, sergeant, seven officers; three watch persons and a clerk-typist. Their office is located on the first floor (Room 111) of the Cross Office Building. The bureau's budget in 2002 was \$552,622 from the general fund.

The bureau was established by the Legislature in 1977 as a branch of the Department of Public Safety. During the fiscal year of 2002, the bureau processed over 2000 incidents from dealing with unwanted persons in state offices, responding to building alarms, and finding open windows and unlocked doors at state buildings. Capitol Security investigated 14 automobile accidents in the parking lots and issued over 900 parking tickets. Officers also provided security for a number of Legislative hearings.

In 2002, Capitol Security was involved in developing new security measures of the State House, AMHI and other buildings around Augusta. Among the changes were new procedures to gain entry into many state buildings and the installation of security cameras at several locations.